

Curriculum Overview for Year 6

As readers this term we are going to be looking at the author Charles Dickens how he used language to engage his audience. We will also be looking at a variety of different types of fiction and non-fiction texts maintaining a positive attitude towards reading and understanding. We will be increasing our familiarity with texts from our literacy heritage discussing and interpreting similar themes.

English

As writers this term we are going to be looking at a variety of writing genres including: biographies and narratives that describe characters, settings and atmosphere and integrates dialogue that allows the action to move forward.

- As writers we can accurately use active and passive verbs within our writing.
- As writers we can show that we can use a wide variety of punctuation including: ellipses, hyphens, colons and semi-colons accurately.

- To show our understanding of the spoken language when we use our voices with expression and innovation.
- We can participate in discussions about authors and challenge differing views courteously.

Art & Design

- As artist this term we are going to be looking at the work of a variety of artists including William Morris and the Arts and Craft Movement.
- We will be looking at wall papers and tiles and how they were influenced by medieval times and used in Victorian times.

Computing

In computing this term we will be revisiting e-safety as well as independently selecting, using and combining a variety of software to design and create content for a given audience, including collecting, analysing, evaluating and presenting data and information.

Mathematics

- This term
- As mathematicians We will be looking at The value of whole numbers Understanding and determining the value of each digit and being able to round and whole number to a required degree of accuracy

The children will be practicing their skills of adding, subtracting large whole numbers and decimal numbers mentally using estimations To check the validity of their answers.

- The children will be building 3-D shapes from 2-D drawings and constructing nets for a cube and a cuboids.
- The children will also be drawing nets for 3-D shapes with triangular faces.
- In all aspects of maths the children will be looking at a variety of problems

Design & Technology

- In design and technology we will be designing and making encaustic tiles- popular in Victorian Times based upon ideas from the Period. We will designing our Tiles at the Jackson Tile museum In Telford where they will be fired.

Geography

As geographers we will be using our knowledge of maps and atlases to study the Countries of the British Empire looking at the key human and physical features.

Modern

Languages

French this term will be taught by a specialist teacher Madame Warnes. The children will be studying and increasing their knowledge of the language and vocabulary of French through songs, stories and written activities.

Trips

This term we will be visiting the birthplace of the Industrial revolution -Telford. Here we will visit two Museums which will connect to our work on: art maths ,DT and history

Science

As scientists this term we will be investigating and discussing how characteristics of living things, for example, height, size or colour, vary from individual to individual. We will be discussing how some species are more successful than others and look at reasons for this. We will be looking at the scientist Charles Darwin and his theories of natural selection.

History

- As historians this term we will be looking at The life and times of Queen Victoria's reign. We will be investigating how Britain changed during her reign through a range of questioning and sources.

We will look for historical connections, contrasts and trends over time and show a developing appropriate use of historical terms

Physical Education

In PE this term the children will be concentrating on Athletic skills as well as Tag Rugby. They will have the opportunity to represent the school in the PWS cross country event.

PHSE

This term in PHSE the children will be looking at communication and the Importance of listening to each other.

Important Dates

Monday: Spellings handed out

Tuesday: Homework club

Thursday and Friday: P.E.

Thursday: Homework handed in and library books changed (if needed).

Friday: Spelling test, P.E. Invasion Games (outdoors) with Mr Tranmer (PM), French with Madame Warnes (PM),

Homework

Year Six will be given weekly spellings that will be tested that Friday. Although we will focus on these in school, practice at home would be appreciated.

For the autumn term the children will also be asked to complete a 'Learning Journal' as part of their homework. They will be asked to demonstrate their learning from literacy, numeracy or topic sessions that week, and they may choose their own way of doing so. Please see the front of their Learning Journal for further details and ideas.

Reading is an integral part to all learning. Please encourage your child to read independently, and when possible hear them read aloud. It is important that your child understands and can talk about what they are reading as well as decoding the words. Please use the suggested questions at the front of the reading record to help you with this.

Useful Websites:

Literacy activities:

<http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/homework/victorians.html>

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html>

<http://www.letterjoin.co.uk/>

Maths activities:

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2numeracy.html>

<http://www.ukmt.org.uk/team-challenges/primary-team-maths-resources/>

Science activities:

<http://www.educationcity.com/uk/primary-schools/science>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zkbbkqt>

If you have any questions or comments, please speak to me in the playground at the end of the day, or you can write a note in the reading diary. If you wish to discuss an issue in more depth, please do not hesitate to make an appointment.



The Age of Invention

The Victorians



Mrs Yeo and Miss Cooke

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